

CITY OF SAN DIEGO AIRPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

**Meeting of June 5, 2007
Montgomery Field Airport**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buzz Fink (Special Expertise), Rick Beach (Special Expertise), Buzz Gibbs (Kearny Mesa Planning Group), Kevin O'Donnell (Special Expertise), Kathy Monsour (Clairemont Mesa Community Planning Committee), Chuck McGill (Montgomery Field User Group), Juan Escalante (Brown Field Aviation Tenant), Scott Hasson (Tierrasanta Community Council), Tom Ricotta (Otay Mesa Planning Group), Allen Kruse (Brown Field User Group),.

MEMBERS ABSENT: J. H. Aldrich (Montgomery Field Aviation Tenant), Jackie Ander (Serra Mesa Community Planning Group), Tom Dray (Montgomery Tower),

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Tussey, Terry Price, Phil Miller, Clayton Welch, Christian Anderson, Chris Cooper.

GUESTS: Jim Moore, Kent Casady, Larry Rothrock, Donna Ryan, Patrick Barrows, Rich Martindell, James Kennedy, Richard Sax, Bettie Sax, Wayne Rosenbaum, Lisa Golden.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 by Chairman Fink, who announced that a quorum was present.

2. PUBLIC INPUT

Larry Rothrock asked if anyone knew whether Sunroad Enterprises owned land adjacent to Brown Field. Several people responded that Sunroad did own land near the southwest corner of the airport.

3. NEW BUSINESS

RFP Sub-Committee Report: Rick Beach reported on the activities of the sub-committee. The committee had reviewed several examples of minimum standards for aeronautical activities at airports including those of San Diego County, Corvallis, Livermore, and Long Beach. The committee reached consensus on a definition of a large fixed base operator (FBO) and established standards for scope of activity, leased premises, fuel storage and fueling equipment, ground service equipment, personnel, hours of activity, and aircraft removal services. The considered the feasibility of defining smaller, specialized FBO's in the future and also agreed on how to apply the minimum standards should they be adopted.

Mr. Beach **moved** that: The AAC request that the City include in the RFP for Brown Field the guidelines for minimum standards for aeronautical activities that the sub-committee has developed.

Vote: 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained. The motion passed.

Buzz Gibbs **moved** that the substantive portions of the Gillespie Field Development Standards be included in the RFP negotiations.

Vote: 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained. The motion passed.

Rick Beach then proposed that the AAC consider attaching the following comments to the RFP:

1. Keep the terminal building in its current location and issue a separate RFP for its replacement.
2. Limit the RFP to 20 acres (site A) and
3. Designate site B as affordable aircraft storage.
4. Accelerate planning for the remainder of Brown Field so that a comprehensive plan is developed before any future RFPs are released.
5. Include Brown Field users in the next RFP discussions.
6. Keep the customs box in a neutral and expanded area.

Tom Ricotta **moved** that the Committee attach these items to the RFP. There was no second to the motion. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Discussion followed. The point was made that items #2 and #3 were probably not appropriate because the RFQ did not limit the number of acres that a qualifying responder could include in a proposal.

It was decided to vote separately on four of the items Mr. Beach had proposed and were included in Mr. Ricotta's motions.

1. Keep the Terminal building in its current location.

There was no second. The motion failed.

2. Accelerate planning for Brown Field prior to the next RFP.

Vote: 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 Abstained. Motion passed

3. Brown Field users participate in next RFP

Vote: 5 in favor, 1 opposed, 2 abstained. The motion passed

4. Customs Box remain in neutral and expanded area.

Vote: 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 5 abstained. The motion failed.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Rick Beach stated that the letter from Mayor Sanders to the FAA and CALTRANS wherein the Mayor proposed to discontinue circling on the north side of Montgomery Field, adjusting VFR course rules and allowing the Sunroad building to remain at 180 feet is flawed.

Mr. Beach **moved** that: That AAC send a letter to the Mayor with copies to FAA and CALTRANS opposing any proposal made to the FAA without seeking the advice and counsel of neighbors and airport users represented on the AAC.

Vote: 6 in favor, 1 abstained. The motion passed.

Rick Beach made the following **motion**: To write the Mayor opposing any burden on aviation users by placing restrictions on operating procedures to overcome the admitted failures by the developer and City to protect airspace around Montgomery Field.

Chuck McGill moved to table the motion to the next meeting.

Vote: 5 in favor. 2 abstained. The motion to consider it at the next meeting passed.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

The next meeting will be June 12 at 3 p.m. at Montgomery Field Airport

ACTIONS:

Motion (Beach): The AAC requests that the City include in the RFP for Brown Field the guidelines for minimum standards for aeronautical activities that the sub-committee has developed.

Vote: 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained. The motion passed.

Motion (Gibbs): that the substantive portions of the Gillespie Field Development Standards be included in the RFP negotiations.

Vote: 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained. The motion passed.

The following items were proposed and voted on separately as possible comments to be added to the Brown Field RFP. **Motions (Ricotta):**

1. Keep the Terminal building in its current location.

There was no second. The motion failed.

2. Accelerate planning prior to the next RFP.

Vote: 5 in favor. 0 opposed. 3 Abstained. The motion passed

3. Brown Field users participate in next RFP

Vote: 5 in favor, 1 opposed, 2 abstained. The motion passed

4. Customs Box remain in neutral and expanded area.

Vote: 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 5 abstained. The motion failed.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Price